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In re the application of: **Hiroshi AKITA**

Serial No.: 09/863,503 (Conf. No. 9374)

Filed: May 23, 2001

For: **PROTECTIVE MEMBRANE-EQUIPPED
COMPOSITE ELECTROLYTE, METHOD
FOR PRODUCING THE SAME, AND FUEL
CELL PROVIDED WITH THE SAME**

Attorney Docket No.: **CSC-029**

Group Art Unit: 1745

Examiner: **Raymond Alejandro**

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RESPONSE TO REQUIREMENT FOR RESTRICTION

Dear Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action dated May 19, 2003, Applicant elects the invention of Group II, encompassing claims 7-12 without traverse.